जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री जगदीश टाईटलर) : (क) से (ग) अखिल भारतीय पर्यटक परमिटों सहित सभी प्रकार के परमिट राज्य के परिवहन प्राधिकारी द्वारा जारी किए जा रहे हैं । अतः सूचना मध्य प्रदेश सरकार से एकत्र की जा रही है और सभापटल पर रख दी जाएगी ।

Indian Shipyards on the Verge of Closure

3065. SHRI SHIV CHARAN SINGH:
SHRI NARAIN PRASAD GUPTA :
Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Shipyards are on the verge of closure, if so, the details thereof;

(b) what steps are intended to be taken by the Government during the Eighth Five Year Plan to save the closure of Indian Shipyards, the details thereof; and

(c) whether it is a fact that if 10 per cent of the country's ships be built in our shipyards during the Eighth Plan, it will help to save the Indian Shipyards from closure, if so, the Government's reaction thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The following steps are under consideration for revival of Indian Shipyards constructing ocean-going merchant vessels:—

(i) The price of an ocean-going vessel built at Indian Yards be fixed on the basis that the public sector yard would participate in open tender and be permitted to match the lowest bid and thereafter be entitled to 30% extra price over the above price—20% being payable by the Government and 10% by the shipowner.

(ii) Loans at concessional rates of 9% to the extent of 80% of the cost of a ship may be given to Shipping Companies placing orders with Indian Yards.

(iii) Fixation of price in terms of US $/ Japanese Yen and the shipowners to pay each stage instalment to the shipyard at market determined parity rate of foreign, exchange prevailing on the date of actual payment.

(iv) The subsidy to be released by Govt will be paid alongwith the payments received by the shipyards for stage payments as per prevailing market determined date of exchange.

(c) As mentioned in reply to part (a), the Indian Shipyards are not on the verge of closure. Hence, the question of reserving 10 per cent of country's ships to be built in our Yards, does not arise.

12-00 NOON

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

I. Accounts (1989-90) of the Madhya Pradesh State Road Transport Corporation, Bhopal and related papers.

II. Memorandum of Understanding (1993-94) between Government of India and the Central Inland Water Transport Corporation Limited.

III. Notifications of the Ministry of Surface Transport (Ports Wing).

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): Sir, I lay on the Table—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

(a) Audited Accounts of the Madhya Pradesh State Road Transport Corporation, Bhopal, for the year 1989-90, under sub-section (4) of section 33 of the Road Transport Corporation Act, 1950, read with sub- clause (iv) of clasuse (c) of the Proclamation dated 15th December, 1992 issued by the President in relation to the State of Madhya Pradesh.

(b) Review by Government of the Annual Accounts.

(c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (a) above.

[Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-4308/93].

II. Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Ministry of Surface Transport) and the Central Inland Water Transport Corporation Limited for the year 1993-94.

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III. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Surface Transport (Ports Wing), under sub-section (4) of section 124 of the Major Port trusts Act. 1963 :—